

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

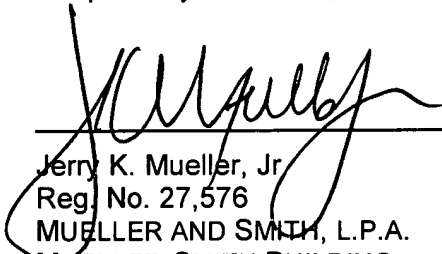
Reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested.

In a notice mailed June 2, 2005, the Examiner noted "Claim 43 has not been withdrawn from consideration." In the Office Action dated March 9, 2004, the Examiner objected to claim 43 as not being seen to further limit the independent claim over the limitations of claim 42. Applicants herewith have canceled claim 43 to overcome this objection, and to respond to the Examiner's Notice of June 2, 2005.

All other matters in the outstanding Office Action were completely addressed in the Applicants' Amendment and Response filed September 8, 2004. In view of the extensive prosecution of the parent application, the Applicants' previous interview with the Examiner, the Affidavit of the inventor, and in view of the amendments and remarks submitted herewith, early allowance of the claims and passage to issue of this application respectfully are requested.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 1 July 2005

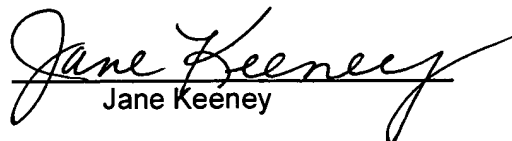


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